

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, a marketing association chartered under Chapter 52, Agricultural Code (Cooperative Marketing Associations), may provide each member of the association with one vote. In the past, a citrus marketing association of Texas adopted a system of providing certain members with more than one vote according to the amount of business each member contributes to the marketing association. H.B. 1845 would authorize a marketing association organized primarily for grain markets to provide a member group with more than one vote.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 1845 amends certain voting requirements of an agricultural cooperative association.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 52.085(b), Agriculture Code, to authorize a marketing association to provide in its articles of incorporation or bylaws for a member association or group to have more than one vote if the association providing for the vote is organized primarily for the harvesting, preserving, drying, processing, canning, storing, handling, shipping, marketing, selling, or use of grain or grain-related products.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.